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1. The South Korean Capital Division is reinforcing the Korean Seventh Division for a final defense of Seoul on a line between Uijongbu (127-02, 37-44) and Pongilohomni (126-48, 37-44).
2. The following is the gist of an announcement made by the U.S. Ambassador at 1 p.m.\* on 25 June: North Korea attacked South Korean positions at several points along the 38th Parallel at 4 a.m.\* South Korean defense forces are taking prepared positions to resist the North. South Korean officials and security forces are handling the situation calmly and with ability. There is no reason for alarm. It cannot yet be determined if the North Korean Communists intend to participate in all out warfare.
3. Ongjin peninsula was evacuated with a loss of one-third of the South Korean forces who were garrisoned there. South Korean National Police have reported that 20 ships of an undetermined size with an aerial cover of 3 Yak fighter planes were attempting a landing in the vicinity of Pohang-dong (129-22, 36-02). Kiapo airfield was strafed at 5 p.m.\* and oil dumps were burning there. A disabled Military Air Transport Service (MATS) courier plane was the only plane on the airfield. The fighting appears to be intense in all areas. A South Korean Army G-2 estimate indicates that four North Korean People's Army divisions are committed at this time. Other than the possible aerial cover at Pohang-dong, no direct USSR participation has thus far been indicated. North Korean troops are apparently using 30 tanks of light Japanese design in the Chumchon area. One regiment of cavalry is driving from Kaesong (126-34, 37-58) and is accompanied by infantry.

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4. The only positive troop identification has been received from a prisoner captured in the vicinity of Pochon (127-13, 37-54). He was a member of the Second Division of the North Korean People's Army. The South Korean Army G-2 believes that troops of the First through the Fourth People's Army divisions have been committed, but there is no other verification.
5. North Korean People's Army officers have stated that this is the real war for Korea. Source believes that the war was ordered to divert attention from the forthcoming invasion of Taiwan [REDACTED]
6. The defensive situation continues to deteriorate with brisk fighting continuing, but no effective resistance is being made except in the vicinity of Uijongbu. Chunchon is surrounded and is being shelled. Yonan (126-10, 37-54) has been captured. Ten tanks out of a group of 40 tanks (type unknown) have entered Pochon and are expected to break through there. It is expected that the main attack in the Chunchon area will reach Seoul.
7. Three American advisors to the South Korean Army are missing in action. The U.S. Military Attache has requested a 10-day supply of gasoline and ammunition, since all types of ammunition are low in supply. There remains enough ammunition for approximately one-day's firing.

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\* [REDACTED] Comment. This is local time at Seoul, Korea.

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